

RCEF
JL**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:

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Title: HARNESS SLACK TAKE-UP STRUCTURE FOR STEERING GEAR
Appl. No.: 10/759,210
Appl. Filing Date: 1/20/2004
Examiner: Spisich, George D.
Art Unit: 3616
Confirmation No.: 8071

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

- [] Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on ____.
[] Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ____ but not considered.
[] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on ____.

b. Enclosed are:

[X] Credit Card Payment Form.

[X] Amendment and Reply Accompanying RCE.

[] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

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[] Information Disclosure Statement.

01 FC:1801

790.00 OP

[] Form PTO-1449 with copies of 1 listed reference(s).

02 FC:1202

260.00 OP

[] Form PTO-1449 with copies of 1 listed reference(s).

03 FC:1252

450.00 OP

Miscellaneous:

- [] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):					
Total Claims:	24	20	= 4	x \$790.00	= \$790.00
Independents	2	3	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$200.00
				x \$200.00	= \$0.00
				+ \$360.00	= \$0.00
					CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: = \$990.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	0	\$0.00
[X]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$450.00		\$450.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,020.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00		\$0.00
		EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:		\$450.00
		EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:	-	\$0.00
		EXTENSION FEE TOTAL		\$450.00
		CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$1440.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract 1/2 of above):			\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			\$0.00
		TOTAL FEE:		\$1440.00

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$1440.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 11/17/2006

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